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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION, 1117

Tuesday, *the* $\frac{\textit{26th May 1942}}{\textit{13th Edavam 1117}}$

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble Deputy President (M. R. Ry. K. AYYAPPAN Avl., B.A.), in the Chair.

Messrs. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan, L. M. Pylee and Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon (Commissioner of Police), were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

PURCHASE OF SLATES FOR THE SUPPLY OF DEPRESSED CLASSES PUPILS

286. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the price at which slates for purposes of supply to the depressed classes pupils of the State were purchased by the Uplift Department in this academic year 1116—1117;

(*b*) from which firm or person was the purchase made; the number of slates purchased;

(*c*) whether there was any offer from any person or firm other than the one referred to in (*b*) to supply slates at a rate lower than the rate at which actual purchase was made;

(*d*) if answer to (*c*) is in the affirmative, what was the rate at which slates were offered by that firm?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) There was no direct purchase of slates from the Uplift Department, as the whole supply of school requisites including slates was let on tendered contract. The price of a slate in the tender notification is annas 3 only.

(*b*) The supply of the school requisites was made by the contractors Messrs. V. Sundara Ayyar & Sons, Trichur. No separate account is maintained for the supply of slates alone.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No answer is necessary in view of answer to (*c*).

SUPPLY OF CLOTHES TO THE DEPRESSED CLASSES PUPILS IN 1117—PARTICULARS OF

287. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the first supply of clothes in 1117 to the Depressed Classes pupils attending the various educational institutions of the State is over by this time;

(*b*) if answer to (*a*) is in the affirmative, when was the supply completed;

(*c*) the expenses incurred by the Government towards the cost of clothes purchased for this propose;

(*d*) whether the clothes were purchased from the institutions classified below; if so, to what extent and for what amount from each.—

1. Central Jail, Viyyur;
2. Government and Aided Industrial Schools;
3. Rural Development Societies and Centres;
4. Joint Stock Companies;
5. Individual merchants or firms;
6. Other purchases;

(*e*) whether any purchase has been made for this purpose from Messrs. Sivarama Rural Development Co., Chittur, this year; if so, how much and for what amount;

(*f*) who inspects the clothes before placing orders for them on behalf of the Government; whether the officer who inspects has any technical qualification or experience to distinguish between different varieties of textures;